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TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 1922.

**BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY**
**THERE IS NO DISCHARGE:**  
 —There is no man that hath power  
 over the spirit to retain the  
 spirit; neither hath he power in  
 the day of death: and there is  
 no discharge in that war.— Ec-  
 clesiastes 8: 8.

**AN UNTENABLE POSITION**

 Commissioner William A. Hart  
 stated at the hearing on the river  
 bridge held here last Friday that  
 the State Commission had decid-  
 ed that no more lettings of con-  
 tracts would be advertised after  
 those bids to be opened August  
 23rd, and that owing to the fact  
 that the War Department had  
 not passed on this river bridge  
 in time to get it included in that  
 letting that it would be after af-  
 ter the first of next year before  
 the contract for the bridge could  
 be let.

 The contract for the road on  
 either side of the river was let  
 some time ago and actual con-  
 struction is in progress, which  
 will mean the building of a road  
 leading nowhere and absolutely  
 useless for the purpose for which  
 it was built. This bridge is a  
 part of the Scotland Neck-Rich  
 Square project and the project  
 will not be completed until the  
 bridge is constructed. There  
 can be no logical reason why this  
 bridge contract cannot be let af-  
 ter the 23rd of August.

 Furthermore, it is generally  
 felt that some one has blundered  
 in not requesting the War De-  
 partment before June 27th for  
 permission to construct this  
 bridge over a navigable stream,  
 even though a contract had been  
 let for the road and actual con-  
 struction had begun.

 The county of Halifax, through  
 proper representatives, was as-

 sured more than a year ago that  
 if it would raise the money which  
 was required by the Highway  
 Commission for the construction  
 of this bridge that immediate  
 construction would be ordered  
 as soon as the money was on  
 hand. This money was secured  
 promptly and the Commissioner  
 and Commission was advised that  
 it was on hand and has been ly-  
 ing idle in the banks for a  
 year or more, yet no request  
 from the government for per-  
 mission to build the bridge was  
 made until June 27th this year.

 The interests of many thou-  
 sands of people and tax payers  
 are not being served in delaying  
 this bridge and we feel that  
 right and justice permits that  
 everyone interested make an in-  
 sistent request that this project  
 be not further delayed, and that  
 an investigation be asked in or-  
 der to determine who is respon-  
 sible for the delay and why.

 The action of the Highway  
 Commissioner and the Highway  
 Commission, in delaying this or-  
 der, to our minds, is the most  
 autocratic in the history of offi-  
 cials acts, or failure to act, and  
 we feel that the time has come  
 to fight for what is our just due.  
 We have tried requests and mild  
 persuasion, and waited with all  
 patience for more than a year,  
 the only result being a blind  
 road which leads nowhere, and  
 it seems that those tactics have  
 failed, and that more decisive  
 and more determined methods  
 should be used. We realize that  
 we are in "the hands of the  
 Philistines," but we believe that  
 if our argument and our side  
 of the case is put before the full  
 Highway Commission it will re-  
 alize the justice of it and will  
 grant our demands, for that is  
 now what they should be, rather  
 than requests.

 The resolutions passed yester-  
 day and published by the local  
 Merchants Association shows the  
 temper of the business interests  
 of this community and we hope  
 that the Chamber of Commerce  
 and County Commissioners of  
 Halifax and Northampton Coun-  
 ties will act in the same manner  
 and that finally a delegation  
 will be sent from Scotland Neck,  
 Halifax and Northampton Coun-  
 ties to appear before the High-  
 way Commission at Raleigh and  
 insist that this bridge be adver-  
 tised and let to contract as soon  
 as humanly possible and thereby  
 partially rectify a glaring injus-  
 tice to the people of the large  
 territory of the State which will  
 be served by this road.

 In writing thus we have no de-  
 sire to overlook the efforts of  
 Commissioner William A. Hart in  
 securing the original approval of  
 this project by the Highway  
 Commission. Our committee  
 gave him full credit, but there it  
 seems his interest stopped so far  
 as any outward evidence ap-  
 pears, other than the letting of  
 the contract for a "blind" road.

 If it is his honest desire  
 to serve the communities and  
 populations in question he will  
 now leave no stone unturned to  
 have this bridge passed upon for  
 immediate construction. That  
 and that only will satisfy the citi-  
 zenship of the sections affected.  
 Deeds not words are now want-  
 ed. Nothing less will be accept-  
 ed as satisfactory.

**CANDIDATE  
CARDS**
**CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY  
COMMISSIONER**

 I hereby announce myself a  
 candidate for County Commis-  
 sioner, subject to the Democratic  
 Primary. 5-18-6-2-7-17-ff  
 J. A. KITCHIN.

 I hereby announce my candi-  
 dacy for the nomination by the  
 Democratic Party as a member  
 of the next State Senate from the  
 Fourth Senatorial District sub-  
 ject to the coming primary elec-  
 tions in Halifax County. 5-2-6-2-7-17-ff  
 W. L. LONG

 I hereby announce that I will  
 be a candidate for Clerk Super-  
 for Court of Halifax County,  
 subject to the Democratic Prim-  
 ary. I also take this opportunity to  
 express my sincere thanks to the

 people of Halifax County for  
 their loyal support in the past  
 and assure them that if nominat-  
 ed and elected I will endeavor to  
 give them the best service pos-  
 sible as their Clerk.

 Respectfully,  
 STERLING M. GARY  
 6-2-7-17-ff

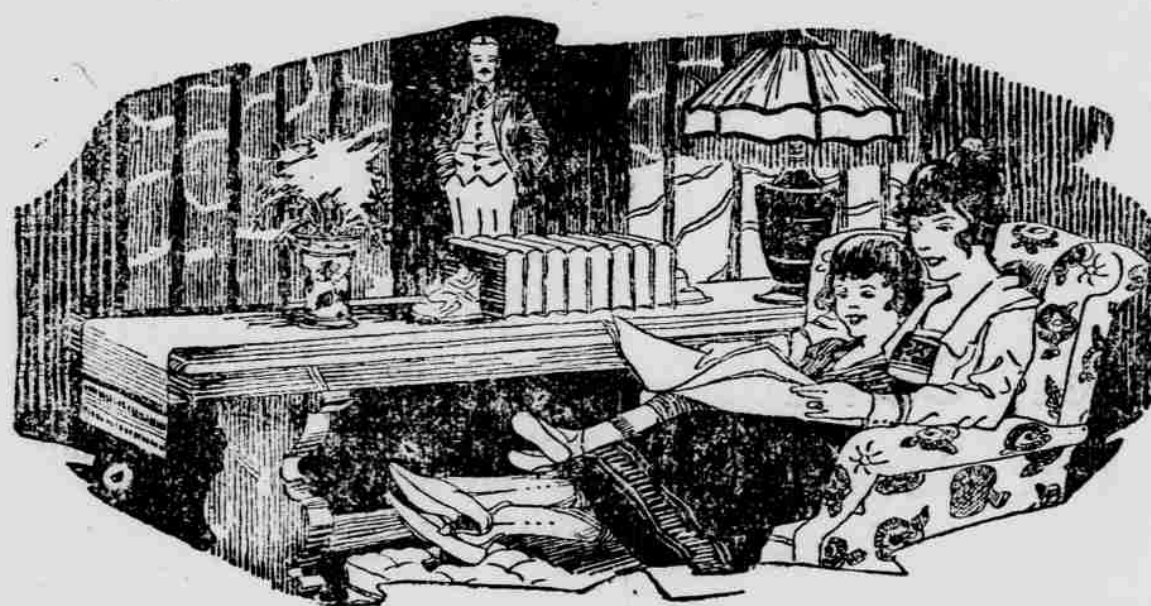
 I hereby declare myself to be  
 a candidate for the office of  
 Sheriff of Halifax County in the  
 coming Democratic Primary and  
 will appreciate the support of all  
 Democrats. 4-25-6-2-7-17-ff  
 J. A. HOUSE, Thelma, N. C.

 I hereby announce myself as a  
 candidate for the office of Coun-  
 ty Treasurer subject to the ac-  
 tion of the Democratic primary.  
 NORFLEET S. SMITH.

 I hereby announce by candi-  
 dacy as Sheriff, subject to the  
 Democratic primary. If nominat-  
 ed and elected I promise to  
 faithfully discharge the duties  
 of the office. 4-19-6-2-7-17-ff  
 N. W. WARREN, Littleton, N. C.

**NOTICE TO VOTERS OF HALI-  
FAX COUNTY**

 I hereby announce that I will  
 be a candidate for Register of  
 Deeds for Halifax County sub-  
 ject to the Democratic Primary.  
 If nominated and elected, I  
 promise to give the people the  
 most efficient service in my  
 power. 4-26-6-2-7-17-ff.

 Respectfully,  
 ROBT. LEE DICKENS.

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OF THEM—**

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 UPON THEIR OWN RESOURCES?

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